

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 19 as follows:

Claims 1-18 (Cancelled).

Claim 19 (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:

[[-]] a polyanion selected from the group consisting of heparin, heparan sulphate, a ~~polyanion equivalent to heparin~~ and a polyanion equivalent to heparin or heparan sulphate selected from the group consisting of dextran sulfate, curdlan sulfate, 2-naphthalene sulfonate polymer, pentosan polysulfate and resobene, said polyanion having a degree of polymerization dp of 10 to 24, and

[[-]] a CD4 peptide [[of]] sequence according to formula (I) below:

~~Cys or TPA - P¹ - Cys - P² - Cys - P³ - Cys - Ala or Gln - Gly or (D)Asp or Ser - Ser or His or Asn - Xaa^j - Cys - Thr or Ala - Cys - Xaa^k - NH₂~~

(Cys or TPA) - P¹ - Cys - P² - Cys - P³ - Cys - (Ala or Gln) - (Gly or (D)Asp or Ser) - (Ser or His or Asn) - Xaa^j - Cys - (Thr or Ala) - Cys - Xaa^k - NH₂ (I) (SEQ ID NO: 19)

wherein *TPA* represents thiopropionic acid, Xaa^j represents β -naphthylalanine, phenylalanine or biphenylalanine, Xaa^k represents Gly, Val or Ileu, P¹ represents 3 to 6 amino acids, P² represents 2 to 4 amino acids and P³ represents 6 to 10 amino acids, the amino acids in P¹, P² and P³ being natural or unnatural, identical or different, and P¹, P² and P³ optionally having a common sequence, said CD4 peptide sequence according to formula (I) having a β -hairpin conformation wherein the β -turn comprises the amino acid residues (Ala or Gln) - (Gly or (D)Asp or Ser) - (Ser or His or Asn) - Xaa^j ~~of its sequence (A)~~.

Claim 20 (Previously Presented) The composition according to Claim 19, wherein said polyanion has a degree of polymerization dp of 12 to 20.

Claim 21 (Withdrawn) The composition according to Claim 19, wherein said polyanion has a degree of polymerization dp of 15 to 17.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented) The composition according to Claim 19, wherein the CD4 peptide of sequence (I) is selected from group consisting of SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, SEQ ID NO:5, SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:7, SEQ ID NO:8, SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, SEQ ID NO:11, SEQ ID NO:12, SEQ ID NO:13, SEQ ID NO:14, SEQ ID NO:15, SEQ ID NO:16, SEQ ID NO:17 and SEQ ID NO:18.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented) The composition according to Claim 19, wherein the composition comprises 1 to 10 mol of polyanion per 0.5 to 1.5 mol of the CD4 peptide.

Claim 24 (Previously Presented) The composition according to Claim 19, wherein the composition comprises 5 mol of polyanion per mole of the CD4 peptide.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented) An anti-HIV composition comprising the composition according to Claim 19.